

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-27 are pending in the application. Applicant hereby elects without traverse the invention identified by the Examiner as Group I drawn to a method of manufacturing a cartridge case. Claims 1-16 are directed to the elected invention. Claims 17-27 are drawn to a non-elected invention and may be cancelled by the Examiner upon the allowance of the claims directed to the elected invention.

In view of the above, applicant believes the pending application is in condition for allowance.

In the event the Examiner believes an interview might serve to advance the prosecution of this application in any way, the undersigned attorney is available at the telephone number noted below.

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